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Docket No. 56117US002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The deadline for filing a response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2002 originally required a reply by February 19, 2003.

Applicants desire additional time to respond to the Office Action, and therefore request that the deadline for reply to the Office Action be extended under the provisions of Rule 136(a) to March 19, 2003. Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required in connection with this paper, including the \$110.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) for consideration of this extension to Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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